

HUMESVILLE.

A very large gathering of friends and members of the Star of the West Lodge, I. O. G. T., met at Mr. Donald McEachern's house, Sec. 28, Tp. 11, R. 18 west, on the evening of Dec. 4th, to present Mr. McEachern with a watch and chain as a mark of their esteem and of their regret at his leaving for York Colony. Mr. J. Bryans who is a practised hand at this work called the meeting to order and Mr. Reid our genial J. P. then read the following address:—

Mr. Donald McEachern, Respected Sir: We have learned with deep feelings of regret that you are about to remove from our midst and we take this opportunity of expressing our esteem for you. During your short residence here you have by your energy, your straightforward manner, strict adherence to truth and readiness to assist any one in need, combined with a genial affability and constant desire to please, you have won for yourself a large and ever increasing circle of friends especially amongst the ladies; and we feel assured that it some one of the ladies of Humesville does not brighten and beautify your future home and assist you in the journey of life, it must be attributed to your own fault. Although we shall miss your kindly face and cheerful voice in our midst we wish you long life and prosperity wherever your lot may be cast. As a good templar we entreat you to keep sacred the vows you have taken and uphold the temperance banner through good report and bad report, and that to the end of life you may remember that your name is engraved upon the Charter of Star of the West Lodge, No. 17, I. O. G. T. We would now on behalf of your brother and sister templars, and your numerous other friends in this vicinity present you with this watch and chain as a token of their esteem, hoping you may be long spared to wear it, and that when you are separated from us by many miles of snow clad plains, or when the green grass is waving in the gentle summer breeze as you from time to time look on the face of this watch it may remind you of your many friends in Humesville, who will ever rejoice to hear of your prosperity and who will one and all record you a hearty welcome should you at any future time return to make your home amongst us.

Signed on behalf of the Good Templars and other friends,

Robert Reid,
Alex. Home,
Dm. McDonald,
James Bryans,

Mr. McEachern made a brief reply whereupon a most enjoyable evening was spent. Mr. McEachern was one of the earliest settlers in this part of the prairie province and has greatly contributed by his uniform kindness and readiness in helping any one who desired to locate in this settlement.

We are surprised that this place has received so little attention in the papers as it is one of the finest settlements west of Winnipeg.

Municipality of Elton.

Council met for the twelfth time house of Mr. Clegg.

Members all present—Reeve in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were received from J. H. Brownlee re his map of the County of Brandon; from W. D. Drew, Geo. Davidson and Robert Reid re payment of school estimates; from W. A. Macdonald requesting payment of account; from A. L. McMillan requesting payment of half year's salary; from Thos. A. Wade, re Government Grant to Municipality, grant has been received; from A. Harris, Son & Co., re Municipality note.

By-law No. 21, remitting in part Wm. and Jno. Smith's taxes was passed. They had their entire crop destroyed by fire.

MOTIONS.

Reid and Wilkie, that the following accounts be paid:

A. Freeland, stationery.....	2.85
W. A. Macdonald, solicitor.....	5.00
Reeve Clegg.....	58.00
Councillors, Wilkie.....	16.00
" Reid.....	1.30
" Payne.....	12.00
" Campbell.....	10.80
" Carle.....	17.00
" Naisbit.....	15.00

Sec-Treas. going to Brandon in connection with note.....
 30.00 |

Postage on the note.....
 35.00 |

Selecting Jurors.....
 5.00 |

J. W. Wellwood, reorganizing school districts.....
 5.00 |

Carried.....
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Reid and Wilkie, that the council endorse the action of the sec-Treas. in the matter of the payment of note

drawn in favor of H. J. Driver for \$82.50, and municipal note in Merchants' Bank for \$500.—Carried.

Reid and Wilkie, that the Sec-Treas. pay note of A. Harris, Son & Co., for \$200, interest due. Carried.

Payne and Carle, that John H. Campbell's taxes for 1884 be refunded on account of fall crop being destroyed by fire.—Carried.

Reid and Wilkie, that the council let Mr. Taos. Navin the contract of putting snow boards eight inches high on Willow Creek, Elton Creek, and Boggy Creek bridges respectively and manure on the approaches of the same for the sum of \$21.50, work to be done under the supervision of the Reeve and completed before the 1st of January, 1885.—Carried.

Payne and Reid, that the Sec-Treas. pay Chief Constable, A. L. McMill half year so soon as he pays over amount of fines due this municipality.—Carried.

Mr. Brownlee was heard re his map of the County of Brandon. Council adjourned.

M. G. ABER, Sec-Treas.

CITY COUNCIL.

This council met as usual on Monday evening in the city hall, when the following members were present.

Ald. Cameron, Hughes, Darst, Backe, Sitton and Lee.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From F. J. Henderson, city solicitor, stating that he could not see how the council could comply with the request of Mr. Jukes as to the making of a new by-law and that the bank would have to be satisfied with the security they held. The clerk was instructed to write Mr. Jukes to that effect.

From Parish & Son, Brandon, re the Princess Avenue weigh scales, stating that although the scales cost them \$400, they would under the circumstances sell them to the city for \$350. Referred to the order of motions.

From M. Alexander, and J. O. Bailey calling the attention of the council to the state of a widow named Mrs. Jane Boland, who lived north of the railway track and was in very destitute circumstances. Referred to chairman of the relief committee with power to act.

From Maurice Evans, agent, Brandon, enclosing an account of \$30 from James Lambert for rent of a small house on 8th street, with the request that it be paid. Ordered to be paid.

From C. Pilling applying for an auctioneer's license. Granted.

From Fire, Water & Light Committee recommending that the following accounts be passed. Salaries for Fire Brigade. Total, \$70.75.

S. S. Simpson, poplar wood 112.30 Report adopted.

MOTIONS.

Sitton and Cameron, that the sum of \$600 be paid to the Secretary of School Board.—Carried.

Sitton and Backe, that the communication of Parish & Son be filed.—Carried.

Hughes and Lee, that the man now in charge of the city team be retained for the present awaiting the appointment of the council of 1885.—Carried.

Hughes and Darst that the former that the former teamster be discharged and an order granted via the chamberlain for his wages.—Carried.

The following accounts were passed:

F. McIntosh.....	3.00
Boyd & Crowe.....	7.71
Maywood.....	3.25
City Chamberlain.....	3.00
A. Freeland.....	15.00
J. C. Campbell.....	9.00
W. White (baker).....	5.00
G. H. Starr.....	7.00
Hay account.....	16.05
Matt. Office.....	10.00

Ald. Sitton stated that the sum of 6,000 had that day been paid into the Imperial Bank, towards the \$15,000 owing.

Cameron and Darst, that the chairman of the finance committee be empowered to negotiate a loan of \$4,500 with the Imperial Bank of Canada to pay interest on debentures due Dec. 31st, 1884.—Carried.

The council then adjourned.

WELL-SPOKEN OF.

R. N. Wheeler, of Elston, speaks highly of Hall's Eucalypti Balm. It cured him of inflammation of the lungs and an obstinate cough. It breaks the phlegm and heal the lungs.

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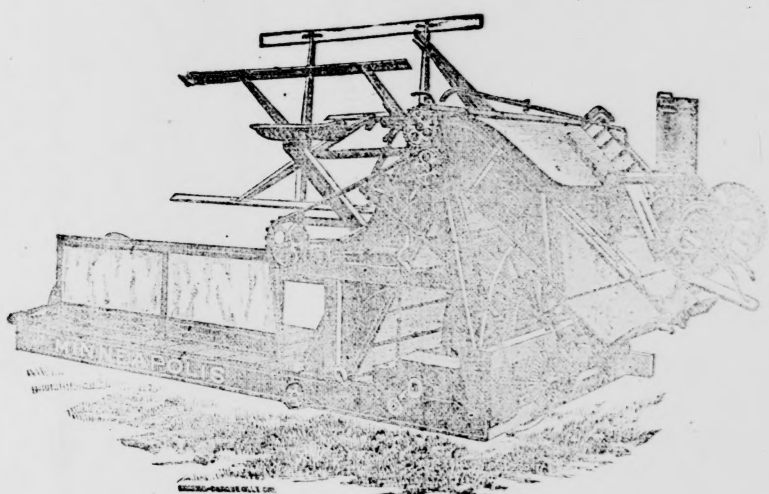
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Brandon Weekly Mail,

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1885.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We have now completed such arrangements with the publishers of *Health and Home*, a first-class family paper, as will enable us to give it free next year, to those subscribers of the *Mail* who pay up all arrears and remit \$2.00 for the year just entered upon. With this issue we send out statements to all in arrears to any extent, and shall look for a prompt response. Those who prefer the *Toronto Mail* or the *Toronto News* to *Health and Home*, can have either clubbed with our paper at \$2.50; in short we will give any other publication desired with the *Mail*, at a considerable reduction off the face value of both. We are fully aware that times are hard and money difficult to be got, and this is our chief reason for making a reduction in the regular price of our paper. It should also remind our readers that a newspaper cannot be run on the wind. We have a weekly outlay of very nearly \$100 in wages, rent, fuel and printing materials that must be met by prompt payments, which prevent us giving the credit for subscriptions many seem inclined to take. We must insist on a prompt settlement of all arrears, and we make this offer as an extra incentive.

C. CLIFFE,
Ed. & Prop.

THEIR WAY OF IT.

To read the *Free Press* and the *Times* of Winnipeg, with their complimentary references to one another one ignorant of the state of advancement in the country would naturally be led to infer there were but these two sheets published in the whole Dominion. They speak of one another as "our esteemed neighbor" "ourer contemporary," until the natural inference is they want the public to take more stock in each others individual importance than in anything they have to say on any public question. The issues of both during the last two weeks have been directed to each others ignorance of the relation the province bears to the Crown Lands of the country. The *Times* wants the *Free Press* to show when these possessions were owned by the province, when they were taken from it, and what pleas it can put forth for their restoration, while the uniform reply of the *Grit* print is that because the other provinces possessed lands, or were allowed to retain them on entering the Confederacy *ergo* Manitoba should have been allowed at its creation into a province to retain all the Crown Lands within its boundaries. To support this position it advances an argument that completely knocks the foundation from under its own conclusions, viz: that Prince Edward Island because of being without lands on coming into the Union, was given a revenue equal to that enjoyed by the other provinces from their lands. As all the other provinces were not possessed of equal areas of land in proportion to extent; and as all the revenues arising therefrom were unequal that of some one of them had to be taken as a basis for settlement; and the question is would the *Free Press* be satisfied with similar treatment to Manitoba?

If it would an estimate of the provinces alleged claim is easily made, and if not upon what other data does the *Free Press* base its argument for its sweeping demands?

The Winnipeg *Grit* print advances one argument for its unlimited demand that a portion of the province was organized under forms of government before the management was assumed by the Dominion Government. This will readily be admitted but it proves nothing if the evidence of history be taken into account, and it certainly establishes no foundation for the general demands of the *Grit* party in this province.

It will be admitted, for instance that Ontario had organized forms of government before receiving its provincial government in 1792, and yet at that time the one-seventh of the

Crown Lands within the borders of the province were all that were handed over for provincial revenue, another seventh being set apart for the church, subsequently known as the Clergy Reserves, the remaining five-sevenths being retained by the Imperial Government for Imperial purposes, and disposed of afterwards as home dictation suggested. Has the *Free Press* never seen this in history? and if it has why does it not feel contented in making a similar demand for Manitoba and no more? If Ontario received but two-sevenths of its Crown Lands from its superior, why should the *Grit* press claim seven-sevenths of the lands of Manitoba, or their equivalent for provincial revenue? That's what honest minds would like to understand.

If the Hudson's Bay Co. did not own the Northwest, the Imperial Government owned it in the sense it owned Ontario before provincial promotion in 1793, and no one will say that in the proclamation setting forth the transfer of this country to Canada the latter did not bear the same relation to it Great Britain did to Canada prior to the year named above.

Again if it is a comparative revenue the *Free Press* is looking for, it is a singular thing that it can see nothing in the shape of consistency. It is alleged that the best of the province's lands are now so far applied to Dominion purposes, that this province should be satisfied with nothing short of a money consideration—that the residue of lands should not be taken as a full consideration of the claims of the province. As Manitoba is less than Ontario in area and population, reasoning from any tangible standpoint, its receipts from any source designed as an equivalent to the receipts of Ontario should also be less than those of that province. As lands of this country have no valuable timbers, receipts from sales over cost of management should then form the proper basis for any calculation. If we take 1875 as an average year for Ontario, we find its receipts from lands (other than those from timber, which, of course, are out of the comparison, Manitoba having none as stated) were but \$88,950.73, with \$37,249.89 as costs of managing the same, leaving a net revenue of \$21,700.84. To be fairly dealt with, then, Manitoba should receive a similar sum in lieu of lands while the *Free Press* knows it receives much more.

Again it is well known to "our esteemed contemporary," to use the soft soap it wastes on the *Times*, that the Dominion gives annually a large sum to this province against the credit of the School Lands, at least none of the other provinces were ever possessed of.

The truth of the matter is Manitoba receives infinitely more in proportion to population from the Federal Government than any of the other provinces ever received from Imperial sources, and still it is handicapped year after year with a burden of almost unlimited troubles. The province is cursed with most expensive forms of government from the Legislature down to the Municipal Councils, and doubly cursed with a lot of incapable fishing daily for personal aggrandisement, and its consequent troubles are placed by an unscrupulous press on the wrong doorsteps. The cost of civil government, in a province with the age and population of Manitoba is simply disgraceful, consider it as you may, and that of municipal management is but little better. At the last election there were municipalities with less than 25 resident voters forced to support clerk, treasurer, assessor, reeve and councillors, and all the paraphernalia of a well settled township in the Province of Ontario. Add to this Judicial Boards with land valuers at ten dollars a day with expenses, and secretaries with double the salaries they could earn at any legitimate business on their own account, and you find the real cause of the general provincial complaint.

CIVIC MATTERS.

The magnanimity shown by Mr. Daly, at the last meeting of the old council, in these hard times is worthy of all mention: he was voted \$200 for his year's services and refused it recommending its application to the relief of the city poor. Mr. Daly went to more than a little trouble during the past year to unravel the wrongs of the city he met with on taking office, and the present creditable standing of our finances is the best evidence of the success he has achieved. We must not, of course, give him alone credit for the able financing of the past year, as Ald. Sifton, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Ald. Hughes on Fire, Water and Light, Ald. Cameron, on Board of Works, and every other member of the council did their share, but as Mayor the weight of responsibility and all the travel occasioning expenditure and loss of time fell on the shoulders of Mr. Daly. When the present council took office a year ago the first obstacle they encountered was a deficit of \$6,000 and nothing to cover it with, extravagant salaries to reduce and other unnecessary drains, the result of the lurking dreams of the boom, and the present clear sheet bears ample evidence of their decided success. At the present the only floating debt remaining foots up to less than \$15,000—\$13,500 to the Imperial Bank and less than \$1,500 in salaries, and against this there is a balance of nearly \$20,000 due of this year's taxes and about \$18,000 for previous years. The present year's council then has clear sailing. All that is necessary for them to do is to estimate for interest and sinking fund of debentures and current expenses, as independent of the tax sales enough will be collected in past year's taxes to meet the Imperial Bank and the residue of salaries as stated.

If we were to give an advice to the present council it would be to lop off every expenditure that does not impair efficiency in management, undertake no works that are not absolutely necessary, and grant no bonuses or other consideration to enterprises that are not of first importance and cannot be secured in any other way. What the next year or two may bring forth we do not know, but it is always safest to be on the side of retrenchment. If they happen to be years of expansion, it is time enough for the council to expend when expenditure is warranted but it is never safe to anticipate it. As a matter of fact the council have no control over school estimates, and cannot diminish our liability for interest of debentures and sinking fund, these are unchangeable no matter how economical they may be—current expenditure and prospective assistance to enterprises are all they have to grapple with, and if the present aldermen walk on the well beaten path of their predecessors the city has nothing to fear even from the continued stringency of the past two seasons.

The *Free Press* of last Saturday says: "There is no doubt that everywhere along the coast, from the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the Gulf of Mexico, the existing state of the wheat market, and much higher than are prevailing in the northern parts of Dakota and Minnesota, Manitoba prices being only one cent lower than Duluth, from time to time, which is less than the cost of transportation." When going that far, why has not the *Grit* print the honesty to go farther and give the cause and show that the "grinding monopoly" of the C. P. R. gives better rates than N. P. R., and that but for the N. P. American instead of Manitoba wheat would supply the dealers, and bring down quotations. But then a *Grit* print was never accused of telling the whole truth at once, so the public must be content with little by little, by degrees.

THE PRICE OF WHEAT.

The following reply of Mr. Nash, Emerson, to a letter from Mr. Brown, of Chatter, explains itself. It proves two things, neither of which are very palatable to the *Grits* of this province. In the first place it proves that the much abused "grinding monopoly" of the C. P. R. offers the farmer better wheat rates than are to be had in the country of blessings, to which the *Grits* have been advising Manitobans to emigrate, and also that the N. P. has its interest even for Manitobans, as it does not require much effort to prove that but for the 15 cents a bushel duty on American wheat, the Manitoba buyers would be supplied from the States as to cut down the prices very materially:—

Emerson, December 22nd, 1884.
W. H. Brown, Esq., Chatter.
DEAR SIR:—I have yours of the 17th, re price of wheat in St. Vincent, Minnesota, and in reply beg to state that I interviewed wheat buyers here and obtained the following information. There has been (and is now) a higher price in Emerson than in St. Vincent. Paid here, No. 1 hard 63, No. 2 hard 55. Paid at St. Vincent, No. 1 hard 48, No. 2 hard 32. Several Minnesota farmers offered their wheat at St. Vincent and Pembina and refused to accept the prices, and afterwards brought their wheat here, paid duty and sold at a profit. One gentleman here bought wheat at St. Vincent market, brought it to Emerson, paid the duty and cleared a profit of eight cents per bushel. For the last two months farmers from the other side could pay the duty here, draw their wheat 48 miles, and then make a profit over Minnesota prices.

Yours Faithfully,
W. H. Nash.

We are given to understand that Mr. Broatch, one of the aspirants for the Reeveship of Whitehead, charged Mr. Hanna, the retiring Reeve, on nomination day, with favoring the *Mail* Office with a job of printing, to the detriment of the municipality, for certain purposes and we rise to a word of explanation. The printing was the voters lists of 42 pages, and we charged \$52.50 or \$1.25 per page. Mr. Hanna's instructions to us were the same as any honorable man would give, and he was treated honorably in return. He told us to do the work well and charge but the proper prices for it, and we did accordingly. Any one who takes the trouble to enquire at any of the offices in Winnipeg, Portage la Prairie or in fact anywhere outside of Brandon, will find our charge was less than the average, \$1.50 being the prevailing price at Winnipeg and \$1.25 at Portage la Prairie with higher rates at southern and northern offices. It appears that Mr. Broatch after the work was done went to the *Grit* office in this city, and asked what they would have charged and was answered "about twenty-five dollars." We do not profess to run business on the Jewish shop principle in the *MAIL* office, and take whatever may be offered, as is the case with the *Grit* print. The accounts of the old county council of Brandon will show that while the *Mail* was dormant, before coming under its present management, the *Grit* print charged \$1.75 per page for the same work, and the print's own books for last season will show it has charged from 85 cents to \$1.25 according to its exigencies, at the time the work was offered for competition. If Mr. Broatch had taken the work to the *Sun* and offered it, as Mr. Hanna did to the *Mail*, he would have found his charge not \$25, but something in advance of ours, and the cut at the time he made enquiry was only to operate against the *Mail*, when the *Grit* print had nothing to lose by the quotation. The desire of the *Mail* is to pay its debts and to properly remunerate its employees; but as our contemporary from reputation never aims at accomplishing either, he has nothing to lose by degrading respectable dealing. We have to say once and for all that during the past year we have purchased the plants of three printing offices (the third being now on the way from Winnipeg) and added some large novices of new material, we have some of the best workmen in the country and are doing as good work as can be done in the country at living rates. We will not take work below what will leave a small margin of profit, and no man who professes to be a friend of fair dealing will ask us to do it on any other basis. For the sake of mak-

the matter clear, however, we can assure Mr. Broatch that Mr. Peacock, one of the councillors elected for the year called at the *Sun* office since the elections, and was assured that \$1.25 (our rate) was the regular price for doing the work properly at any time.

RETRENCHMENT.

Mrs. Grundy tell us that policeman Duncan will be dismissed by the new council on Monday night, he being the youngest on the force. He will likely be given charge of the corporation team, should he refuse to accept it. The Chief's salary will probably be reduced in which case he will resign next spring. He is a thoroughly competent official, and Brandon cannot well afford to lose him. The idea entertained by some that the chief is receiving remuneration from the county is erroneous. Parties have intimated that they would perform the work of the clerk and chamberlain for \$200 and \$100 respectively. We do not believe that the work can be satisfactorily performed for this sum. The councillors will we think be in favor of retaining the present officers if they will but consent to a reasonable deduction, and we hope their good sense will prompt them to do this.

VITAL QUESTIONS.

CHAPTER I.
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All Exhibitors for Antwerp should send their shipments not later than the 31st week of the year.
These Exhibitions, it is believed, will be comparable in portraiture for number and variety of natural curiosities, and representing the industrial progress of the Dominion, and the civilization and commerce of the world.
Information may be obtained at a special address to the Department of Agriculture.

By order, JOHN L. LAMONT,
Secretary of Agriculture,
Ottawa, December 12th 1884.

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Jan. 1, 1885.

H. CROSSLEY, Ninth St., Brandon.

GLENWOOD COUNCIL.

Dec. 31st. 1884.—Present Councilors: Burley, Brown, Moore, McCulloch and Elgar. The Reeve in the chair.

Communications read and disposed of as follows:
Wm. Wenman, re paying taxes to Breeze Lawn School District.

Brown—Elgar, that the communication be not entertained. Carried.
C. Brandon, that he by mistake returned the statute labour for Sec. 3-8-20, not done.

Moore—Elgar, that Mr. Sowden receive credit on his taxes for the amount of statute labour tax for Sec. 3-8-20. Carried.

George McGill re his being assessed for more personal property than he possessed.

Elgar—Burley, that Mr. McGill's communication be laid over. Carried.

Brown—Elgar, that Mr. Sowden receive credit on his taxes for the amount of statute labour tax charged against his lands for 1884, except the amount charged against Sec. 19-7-21. Carried.

Elgar—Brown, that the Treasurer receive the taxes for Sec. 23, Tp. 2, R. 20 less the taxes for 1883, which are to be returned against said section. Carried.

Elgar—Brown, re John Hughes statute labour for 1883, that as the said master was not instructed to cause parties to do their statute labour for 1883 in 1884, this council take no action in the matter. Carried.

Finance Committee reports as follows:

That John Shannon, for balance of money for 1884, be paid.....\$50.00

W. H. Moore, for extra service \$20.00 and balance of remuneration.....46.80

W. P. Burley, " \$16.00 ".....21.80

C. H. Elgar, " 6.00 ".....35.40

H. H. McCulloch, " 2.00 ".....38.60

Wm. Carveth, " 16.00 ".....25.60

M. Cook, " ".....23.80

George Brown, " ".....21.60

Wm. Steel, for extra service and travelling expenses.....157.00

C. H. Image, " ".....10.00

Trust of South District for rent for room.....51.00

That A. L. McMillan's account be paid over. Report adopted.

Elgar—Moore, that the Treas. receive Mr. G. Brown's taxes less the amount of his local school tax, said amount to be charged to Breeze Lawn School District. Carried.

Moore—Elgar, that the Treas. be instructed to receive taxes to the 12th Jan. 1885, less 3 per cent. Carried.

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CHAPTER IX.
ALL FORLORN.

The huge rocks called the Ballars of Brandon rise high and jagged above the sea, which dashes and churns white against them, falling back moaning as it with disappointment that it cannot overthrow them. But it has made inroads at their feet, forming curious archways, leading to great caverns, once the haunt of smugglers. Still the rocks stand firm, good guardians of the coast, and a terror to mariners and fishermen when the winds blow high.

The little Mermaid looked like a speck on the water in contrast with these giants of nature. As it steamed slowly and safely by them there were some on deck whose hearts beat quick at the thought of the peril they were so narrowly escaping. All were grateful to the captain, who had come so timely with such skill and strength to their rescue; only one pined the man who had led them into the danger.

A poor Duncan Murray, his breast was full of wrath. The reputation for ease and skill which he had earned with a lifetime to be jeopardized at last, and only saved by a miracle! Jeopardized by the man he had trusted as he trusted himself! There was no penalty heavy enough for such a villain!

Except the engine-man and Ross, who had been placed upon the floor of the cabin, all remained on deck. But no word was spoken until they passed the grim Ballars. They were like people petrified, pale and dumb, watching the scowling figure at the wheel. When they knew that they were safe there was one great breath like a sob of relief, and a silent prayer of wondering thanks. Then the power of motion was restored to them by the loud voice of the captain giving some brief commands.

Annie had been by her father's side all the time, so white and calm that she was more like a statue than a living woman. She watched every movement of the vessel, how obediently answered the helm under the master's hand, until at length it took them out into safe water. But her mind was busy seeking the reason for this strange occurrence. Her father in his rage had said that Ross was a traitor, but she could not believe it. He had fallen in some fit, and at her father's first words she moved swiftly away. Down to the cabin she went.

There on the floor lay the man she loved, the man to whom she had pledged herself, and who had so nearly destroyed them all—a senseless, very piece of humanity. She approached him, bent over him with tender rage.

She lay back quickly and her face flushed. His breath told her that the father had spoken truly. And yet she was dimly conscious that mingled with the fumes of whiskey there was something else, which she did not understand, and which at that moment did not impress her mind.

There was the one horrible fact: he had been drinking and so had imperiled all their lives?

The sickening sense of dismay came, she became calm again, and thought her that something ought to be done to restore him to consciousness. Who was to help her? She dare not speak to her mother and she would not speak to Cargill. By-and-by she would be able to get one of the men, but none of them could be spared at present.

Meanwhile she got a towel, dipped it in cold water and laid it on his head. Next she shook him roughly by the arm; but he made no sign. Then it was all she could do.

There was one thing more. She called him by name; but he made no sign. Whilst doing this she became a little more conscious of the presence of that something besides the fumes of whiskey, only she was too busy in her efforts to arouse him to give it particular heed.

And she was wondering. How could this miserable shame fall on Bob Ross? In all that she had ever heard of him there had been no hint of this. Quite otherwise: one of the qualities for which he had been specially noted was his sobriety. Then how should it come now in the hour when he was most anxious to please her father?

She could not understand. It was strange, that was all she could say, and in her bewilderment began wondering again. And as she was wondering there came suddenly a pain in her breast and a dull aching in the dry eyes, for was not his shame hers?

How brave and noble she had tried him to be! How much

above all other men in everything—how pure, how strong and faithful in all that became a man! And lo, there he lay helpless—such a sorry sight!

She could not bear it and she covered her face with her hands, rocking herself to and fro as she knelt beside him. Strange, piteous cries in her brain, but no sound coming from her lips. The idol seemed to have fallen from its high place—fallen so low down and still was loved.

She did not care now who knew it. She loved him and she would help him though everybody else should turn from him.

She knew by the sounds on deck—trampling of feet, loud voices—and the varying movements of the engine, that they were nearing port. Whether or not the noise had any effect in rousing him, Ross at length stirred from his lethargy.

He moved slightly as if to turn on his right side. With anxious face and ready hands she assisted him. He muttered something in a husky whisper, but she was unable to make out what he said.

She called him by name twice and her voice seemed to reach him at last. There was a spasmodic movement of the body, and this time his muttering was distinct enough for her to comprehend:

"Starboard, starboard, confound ye. There's the Dan Bay—we must hold off."

The rest of his words faded into indistinctness again.

The turmoil above grew louder, and the movements of the engine more eccentric than before.

She dipped the towel into cold water and bathed his face and hands. He breathed more freely and regularly than he had been doing for some time, and presently opened his eyes.

What wearisome eyes they were staring at her, without the least sign of recognition! They frightened her, and yet they caught the tears which relieved her own parched eyes.

"Do you not know me—Bob?" she hesitated a little over the name.

The wild expression disappeared and slowly there came a smile of recognition.

"No ken you, Annie! how could that ever be? My lass! But what a dream I have had—that I got ten and let the boat gang on the rocks and—"

But there the glimmer of intelligence faded, and a vacant expression took its place. This was not the expression of imbecility, but that of one who is looking at something he cannot see and searching his mind for something he cannot find.

Suddenly he made an effort to rise but fell back helpless.

"Try again," she said eagerly, "if you could only get onto the seat, it would make me less woe to look at you."

Mechanically he made the effort, and with her strong help succeeded after a few trials in getting on to the seat. He leaned back unable to support himself, still looking at the something he could not see.

"Can you bide there that way till I get you a drink?"

She brought him a glass of water and held it to his lips. He drank greedily as if his throat was parched, and he seemed to revive. She took both his hands in hers and gazing earnestly at him said:

"Can you not tell me how this happened? Try to mind. Where did you get the drink?"

"I cannot tell. I got whiskey, and I wanted to keep clear of them. But something aye pulled the wheel out of my hands. There was—"

He ended the sentence by shaking his head hopelessly and muttering wearily, "I cannot tell—I dinna ken."

She saw it was no use pressing her questions further at that time, and indeed she had no opportunity of doing so. Although the noise above continued, the engine had stopped, and she knew that they were in port. Her father came down. Partly in consequence of his dread of any further accident, and partly out of a wise discretion, knowing his own temper, he had delayed coming until the Mermaid was safely moored in Peterhead Harbor. Now when he came, he found her holding Ross's hands and speaking softly to him. His passion blazed up in spite of himself.

"What are you doing there with that scoundrel? Come out of that this moment."

She did not move, and Ross was apparently quite unconscious of the angry and bitter words.

"Did you not hear me?" shouted the father. "I tell you that you are no to disgrace yourself" by speaking another word to him."

"Father, he is no weel," she said gently, but without releasing her lover's hands.

"No weel!—he'll be well enough when he gets over his drunken fit, and curse him."

"This is not a drunken fit, father. He is really not well, and you should get a doctor to see him."

"Me get a doctor for the scoundrel that nearly ruined me as weel drowned as a'!" exclaimed the captain, as much astounded by his daughter's calmness as by her first disobedience.

And he was drinking when he was at the wheel, and that would have been enough for me even if he hadna put us in a sicca danger."

"How do you know that he was drinking when at the wheel?" she asked calmly.

"Cargill told me. He took a dram from him."

"Ah!" The exclamation was short and quick with a drawing in of the breath. "And he gave it to him."

"Ay, but he n'ann has been drinking before that, because no dram wouldna mak' him like what he is. Come, out of this Bob Ross, and thank the kindly thoughts I have aye had for you till now, that I dinna send you to jail instead of givin' you leave to walk ashore."

"Father, will you not send for a doctor?" she pleaded once more.

"I'll no hear another word, you bizzie, but I'll have something to say to you in a wee while."

To her amazement Ross stood up, unsteadily, but still maintaining the position. He drew one hand dazedly across his eyes and said huskily:

"No for me, Annie, no for me—you shall not suffer for me. I'll go. Your father is right. I begin to mind now, and it is his kind thought that saves me from jail—it is not all clear yet; but it is coming back. Me standing at the wheel and no power to speak, and—and that's all."

"Bide a minute and I'll get Jock Burns to go with you," and she darted up the stair.

Captain Dan can was puzzled. He could not make out the man; this was not the way he had ever before seen anybody who was "fou" behave. But then there was nothing else to explain his falling asleep at the wheel; and so he answered the puzzle by resolving to stick to his first impression.

"I am sorry for you, Bob; but you have brought it on yourself and I cannot pass it over. Had it been anybody else I would have been on the look out for a while, but no' wi' you—no' wi' you."

"You are doing kindly by me, captain, and I thank you," said the poor man, again passing his hand dazedly over his eyes. "I dinna understand yet; but it's coming to me, and I ken that I was wrang. I thank you and I'll go."

He made a step forward, staggered and fell back upon the seat. He would have fallen on the floor but that the sturdy captain caught him in time.

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